

CITY OF OAKLAND  
PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION  
One Frank Ogawa Plaza (City Hall)  
Special Commission Meeting  
Teleconference  
Wednesday, February 15, 2023  
6:30 p.m.



Commissioners: Ryan Micik (Chair), Charlotte Hill (Vice-Chair), Alea Gage, Arvon Perteet, Vincent Steele, and Francis Upton IV.

Commission Staff to attend: Suzanne Doran, Acting Executive Director  
Ana Lara-Franco, Commission Analyst

City Attorney Staff: Trish Shafie, Deputy City Attorney

## **PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

### **1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum.**

The meeting was held via teleconference.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Members present: Micik, Gage, Perteet, Steele, Upton IV. Hill arrived at 7:54 p.m.

Staff present: Suzanne Doran and Ana Lara-Franco.

City Attorney Staff: Tricia Shafie.

### **2. Staff and Commission Announcements.**

Micik welcomed both new commissioners Gage and Steele.

Suzanne Doran, Acting Executive Director, shared that the City of Oakland is currently working to restore services that were impacted due to a ransomware attack. Meetings will resume in person starting March 1, 2023.

### **3. Open Forum.**

Public comment: Ralph Kanz. A full recording of public comments is available in the meeting video. Video recordings are posted on the meeting webpage, which may be found at [www.oaklandca.gov/pec](http://www.oaklandca.gov/pec).

## **PRELIMINARY ACTION ITEMS**

### **4. Virtual meetings by the Public Ethics Commission.**

The Commission reviewed and took action to adopt Resolution 23-02, establishing certain

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determinations to justify the need for a virtual subcommittee meeting following the California State Legislature's adoption and Governor's approval of AB 361 on September 16, 2021 (Chapter 165; Statutes of 2021).

Public comment: None.

Perteet moved, and Upton seconded to approve RESOLUTION NO. 23-02.

Ayes: Micik, Gage, Perteet, Steele, Upton IV.

Noes: None.

Absent: Hill.

Vote: Passed 5-0.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- 5. Approval of Commission Meeting Draft Minutes.**
  - a. January 11, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes**

Public comment: Ralph Kanz.

Upton moved, and Perteet seconded to table the item until the next meeting due to a lack of quorum to approve the minutes. Gage and Steele were not present at the January meeting.

Ayes: Micik, Gage, Perteet, Steele, Upton IV.

Noes: None.

Absent: Hill.

Vote: Passed 5-0.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 6. Reports on Subcommittees and Commissioner Assignments.**

- a. Outreach Subcommittee (ad hoc, created on June 8, 2022) – Francis Upton IV



(Chair), Charlotte Hill.

Upton shared they have not met recently and are working with staff.

- b. Measure W Implementation Subcommittee (ad hoc, created December 14, 2022) – Arvon Perteet (Chair), Charlotte Hill, Francis Upton IV.

Perteet shared they have not met since January but are working with staff on future dates.

- c. Executive Director Selection Subcommittee (ad hoc, created January 11, 2023) - Ryan Micik (Chair), Arvon Perteet, Francis Upton IV.

Micik shared that the Commissioners will meet during closed session to discuss the selection.

Public comment: Ralph Kanz.

## **7. Cure and Correction:**

The September 14, 2022, Regular Commission meeting agenda included an Executive Director report with the item “Agenda Subscribers Update” in response to Commissioners’ request for follow-up after the discovery that an agenda subscriber did not receive their email copy of the Commission’s public meeting agenda after the PEC’s email subscriber lists were transferred to a new customer relations management system in late May. The report also noted that a representative of the Communications Department would be available to answer questions. Although the report was linked and attached to the agenda, the PEC is issuing this cure and correct out of an abundance of caution to ensure that anyone wishing to give public comment on the item is able to do so.

Public comment: Ralph Kanz.

## **8. Measure W Implementation Update: Implementation of Measure W - Oakland Fair Elections Act and Public Ethics Commission Amendment to the City Charter.**

Acting Executive Director Doran reported on significant activities related to the implementation of Measure W since the Commission’s last meeting.

Public comment: Ralph Kanz.

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### **CLOSED SESSION**

- 9. Personnel.** Pursuant to California Government Code section 54957(b), the Commission will meet in Closed Session to discuss the recruitment and appointment process of the next Executive Director.

Public comment: Ralph Kanz.

The commission went into closed session.

The Commission returned from closed session at 8:46 p.m.

Micik shared that Perteet left at 7:46 p.m. Hill arrived at 7:54 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.